**Ministry of Youth and Sport of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

In collaboration with Faculty of Philosophy of University of Sarajevo

announcing the Essay Contest

**“What do I know about Azerbaijan?”**

The Contest is open to citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina between 18-29 years of age.

Essays shall not exceed 2,500 words.

Essays must be submitted in English.

Essays must be written with Arial 12 font and sent to the email essay@ff.unsa.ba in Word and PDF formats by July 14, 2017.

The following documents must be submitted along with essays:

 - Application form (attached – appendix 1)

 - Biography (CV)

 - Passport copy

**The winners will obtain a right to participate in the cultural-historical visit tour to Azerbaijan.**

During selection process of winners, a special attention will be paid to sufficient scientific ground and basis, list of the used references/literatures, indications of exact historical sources, as well as to the authenticity of the information covered in the essays.

Only citizens of the Bosnia and Herzegovina are eligible to participate in the Contest.

Topics of the Contest:

**Within the framework of the general topics, participants can choose a special topic relevant to their field of interests, education, scientific, and specialized areas.**

**NOTE:** *During the travel to Azerbaijan the winners will be expected to perform/present the music, dance or national cuisine of Bosnia and Herzegovina.*

*Further information and sources of literature can be inquired from the Diplomatic Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan in Bosnia and Herzegovina.*

**Recommended topics**

**for the essay-writing contest of**

**“What do I know about Azerbaijan?”**

 - Heydar Aliyev: National Leader of Azerbaijan

 - Armenian-Azerbaijani conflict. Realities of Karabakh

 - History, art and culture of Azerbaijan

 - Population, language and traditions of Azerbaijan

 - Role of Azerbaijan in International Politics

 - Azerbaijan and Bosnia and Herzegovina: Historical relations and perspectives

 - Economic development of Azerbaijan

 - Oil and gas strategy of Azerbaijan

 - Azerbaijan in ancient sources/literatures